

District Judge Daybook Entry

United States District Court - Southern District of West Virginia at Beckley

Date: 4/29/2024 Case Number: 5:22-cr-00182
 Case Style: USA vs. Christopher J. Smyth
 Type of hearing: Criminal Jury Trial
 Before the Honorable: 2517-Volk
 Court Reporter: Amanda Pickens Courtroom Deputy: Sydney Johnston
 Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff or Government:
 David Zisseron, Kavitha Bondada, Andrew Ascencio, Erik Goes
 Attorney(s) for the Defendant(s):
 Isaac Forman, Mike Hissam
 Law Clerk: Sarah Fox
 Probation Officer:

Court Times

Start Time	End Time	Court Time Description
1:21 PM	3:00 PM	Court actively conducting trial proceedings/Contested proceedings
3:21 PM	5:01 PM	Court actively conducting trial proceedings/Contested proceedings

Time in court: 3 hours and 19 minutes. Court actively conducting trial proceedings/Contested proceedings

Courtroom Notes

CRIMINAL JURY TRIAL - DAY ONE – April 29, 2024

Scheduled Start 9:00 a.m.

Actual Start 1:21 p.m.

Defendant present in person and by counsel.

Court addresses counsel outside of jury presence.

Court brings jury in at 1:24 p.m.

Kathiva Bondada makes opening statement on behalf of the United States'.

Isaac Forman makes opening statement on behalf of Defendant.

U.S. calls Tammy Thacker; oath given.

Direct by Mr. Ascencio.

Gov't exh 53, 56-2, 56-1, 19, 20, 61, 63, 62, 66, 60, 15, 15-1 marked/admitted.

Court takes a recess at 3:00 p.m.

Court resumed at 3:21 p.m.

Direct continues by Mr. Ascencio of Tammy Thacker.

Gov't exh 17, 25, 24, 17-1, 27, 82, 83, 84, 85, 88, 87, 47-2, 49-2, 48-2, 91, 16, 16-2, 16-1 marked/admitted.

Cross by Mr. Forman.

Def exh 46 marked/admitted.

Redirect by Mr. Ascencio.

Recross by Mr. Forman.

U.S. Calls Rose Sims; oath given.

Direct by Mr. Zisseron.

Gov't exh 5 marked/admitted.

Court excuses jury at 5:00 p.m.

Court recessed at 5:01 p.m.